

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 22 on page 4 with the following amended paragraph:

Further, there is provided a method for evaluating attributes of an area of facial skin and/or the efficacy of a cosmetic product for reducing the appearance of an undesired attribute, including:

Please replace the Abstract of the Disclosure on page 36 with the following amended abstract:

An acoustic emission system for objectively measuring tactile skin attributes and methods of using same. The system includes:  
(A) Means for generating an acoustic emission signal from skin;  
(B) Means for collecting, storing and displaying said emission signal;  
(C) means for correlating said emission signal with an attribute of said skin; wherein said by assessing acoustic emissions produced by skin-to-skin frictional forces is described. The system is used as a clinical tool to evaluate efficacy of cosmetic skin care and/or cleansing products. A cosmetic product selection system is also provided which includes a cosmetic composition for reducing the appearance of undesirable skin attributes and an acoustic emission system associated with the composition.

A method for assessing tactile skin attributes using an acoustic emission system, as well as of evaluating progress of the combat against the signs of undesirable skin attributes occurring over a period of time within which the composition is applied to an area of skin being monitored is provided.